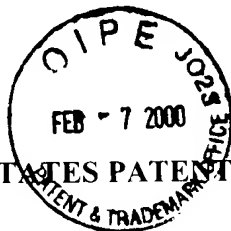


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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The present Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 13, 2000 in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows.

In the Specification:

Please delete pages 169-170 of the application containing the Sequence Listing as filed and renumber the remaining pages accordingly. Please insert new pages 1-7, enclosed herewith, into the application. New pages 1-7 contain the amended Sequence Listing formatted under the new rules for the Sequence Listing.

At page 63, line 11, after "CCUUA" insert --(SEQ ID NO:3)--.